## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date

November 20, 2006

In re the Application of

Mitsuru HORINOE et al.

Group Art Unit: 2852

Application No.: 10/809,531

Examiner:

Q. GRAINGER

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Docket No.: 119054

For:

DEVELOPING DEVICE REDUCING TONER PRESSURE ON SUPPLY ROLLER AND

IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS USING SAME (AS AMENDED)

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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